HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 335 By Casada

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Harold Jackson of Franklin.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Harold Jackson on February 1, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Harold Jackson was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a revered member of the Franklin community, Mr. Jackson served with acumen and alacrity both as a Franklin Alderman and also as one of the founders of the Williamson County Fire and Rescue squad, in which positions he earned the respect of his community and his peers; and

WHEREAS, native to Williamson County, Mr. Jackson was the son of the late Roy Herbert and Irma Lee Lewis Jackson; and

WHEREAS, always a dedicated servant, Mr. Jackson performed his patriotic duty in the United States Navy and also was also a retired agent with Home Beneficial Life Insurance Company; and

WHEREAS, Harold Jackson was renowned for his contribution to his community through his support and founding of the Williamson County Fire and Rescue Squad, whose services were expanded in the 1970s, filling the need that arose when the city of Franklin's rescue and fire service to outlying areas was brought to an end; and

WHEREAS, as a civic minded citizen with an unfaltering interest in bettering his community, Mr. Jackson provided leadership and training to those who served the agency, which today provides fire, first responder, and rescue services through its four stations in Williamson County; and

WHEREAS, as former member of the Board of Mayor and Alderman, a capacity in which he served for over a decade, he focused much of his efforts on maintaining and supporting the Fire and Rescue services. It was always his dream to see Franklin and Williamson County have the best fire department possible; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jackson was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jackson enjoyed the loving companionship of Rebecca Dodd Jackson for fifty-six wonderful years and was the proud father to his son and daughter-in-law, Donny and Judy, and to his daughter, Pamela Jackson Hoover; he is also survived by two beloved grandchildren, Eric and Patrick Hoover, and one sister, Mildred Stanfield; and

WHEREAS, always appreciative of the blessings of this life, Mr. Jackson was an avid hunter and fisherman, and enjoyed his time spent with the Shoney's Coffee Club; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jackson leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Harold Jackson, a man of dedication, integrity, and unmatched competence, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Harold Jackson.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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